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BOROUGH OF SOUTHWOLD

ANNUAL REPORT

ON THE

HEALTH OF THE BOROUGH

FOR THE YEAR

1969

Arthur C. Gee, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.,
D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Southwold.

Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report on the health of the Borough for the year 1969.

The Registrar-General's mid-year estimate of population is 2,120, a slight decrease from the estimate which had been static for the previous four years. The number of livebirths (11) is also slightly down from previous years and, the rate per 1,000 population remains consistently below the national average. 40 deaths were recorded, and whilst the Crude Death Rate is much above the national average, the Adjusted Rate is well below that for England and Wales.

As usual very little infectious disease was notified during the year, and there were no cases of food poisoning reported.

The main cause of death was through heart failure and related diseases, though death from cancer in its various manifestations followed it as a close second.

Mr. G. Oakes, Public Health Inspector, has prepared that part of the Report dealing with the work of the Borough as a , local sanitary authority, and I am grateful to him for this and for his help during the past year.

I express my thanks to you, Mr. Mayor, and to Members of the Council for the attention given to and interest taken in the work concerning various aspects of the health of the Borough.

I have the honour to be,
Your obedient Servant,

ARTHUR C. GEE,

Medical Officer of Health.

August, 1970.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area: 621 acres (Census, 1961)

Population, 1969: 2,120 (as estimated by the Registrar-General).

Number of inhabited houses as at 31st December, 1969: 1,135.

Rateable Value as at 31st December, 1969: £115,404.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

	SOUTHWOLD					England and Wales rates
	Total	Male	Female	Crude Rate	Adjusted Rate	
Live births -						
legitimate	10	6	4	-	-	-
illegitimate	1	1	-	-	-	-
total	11	7	4	-	-	-
Live birth rate per 1,000 population	-	-	-	5.2	9.1	16.3
Still births	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 live and still-births	-	-	-	00.0	00.0	13.0
Deaths of infants -						
under 1 year of age	-	-	-	-	-	-
under 4 weeks of age	-	-	-	-	-	-
under 1 week of age	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 livebirths	-	-	-	-	-	18.0
Deaths from all causes	40	23	17	-	-	-
Death rate per 1,000 population.	-	-	-	18.9	9.1	11.9

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area: 521 acres (Census, 1961)

Population, 1969: 2,120 (as estimated by the Registrar-General).

Number of inhabited houses as at 31st December, 1969: 1,120.

Rateable Value as at 31st December, 1969: £212,404.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

	SOUTHWOLD					England and Wales rates
	Total	Male	Female	Crude Rate	Adjusted Rate	
Live Births -						
Legitimate	10	6	4	-	-	-
Illegitimate	1	1	-	-	-	-
total	11	7	4	-	-	-
Live birth rate per 1,000 population	-	-	-	5.2	9.1	16.3
Still birth	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 live and still-births	-	-	-	00.0	00.0	13.0
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CAUSES OF DEATH	Total	Male	Female
Syphilis and its sequelae	1	1	-
Malignant neoplasm - intestine	1	1	-
Malignant neoplasm - lung, bronchus	1	1	-
Malignant neoplasm - breast	1	-	1
Malignant neoplasm - prostate	1	1	-
Other malignant neoplasms etc.,	5	1	4
Other diseases of nervous system etc.,	1	1	-
Ischaemic heart disease	14	9	5
Other forms of heart disease	3	2	1
Cerebrovascular disease	6	1	5
Other diseases of circulatory system	2	2	-
Bronchitis and emphysema	1	1	-
Pneumonia	2	1	1
Suicide and self-inflicted injuries	1	1	-
	40	23	17

NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Measles 2.

TUBERCULOSIS

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pul.	Pulmonary	Non-Pul.	
Number of patients on register at 1.1.69	4	-	-	1	5
Number of patients added during year	-	3	1	-	4
Number of patients removed during year	-	-	-	-	-
Number of patients on register at 31.12.69	4	3	1	1	9

Patients removed from register

Recovered - Nil
Died - Nil
Removed - Nil

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	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pul.	Pulmonary	Non-Pul.	
Number of patients on register at 1.1.69	4	-	-	1	5
Number of patients added during year	-	3	1	-	4
Number of patients recover during year	-	-	-	-	-
Number of patients on register at 31.12.69	4	3	1	1	9

Patients removed from register

Recovered - Nil
Died - Nil
Removed - Nil

CAUSES OF DEATH

	Total	Male	Female
Hypertensive heart disease	4	4	-
Hypertensive heart disease with nephritis	1	1	-
Total	40	23	17

Typhoid and its sequelae
Malignant neoplasm - Intestine
Malignant neoplasm - lung, bronchus
Malignant neoplasm - breast
Malignant neoplasm - prostate
Other malignant neoplasms etc.,
Other diseases of nervous system etc.,
Ischaemic heart disease
Other forms of heart disease
Cerebrovascular disease
Other diseases of circulatory system
Bronchitis and emphysema
Pneumonia
Peptic and duodenal ulcer

NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Measles 2.

BOROUGH OF SOUTHWOLD

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1969.

To: The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors
of the Borough of Southwold.

Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the pleasure of presenting the Annual Report of the Sanitary Administration of the Borough and the work done during the year 1969 which due to ill-health was curtailed.

WATER SUPPLY.

A wholesome and sufficient supply of water for all domestic requirements has been maintained throughout the year. This service is provided by the East Anglian Water Company.

RAINFALL

The total rainfall during the year was 22.85 ins. There were 207 days without, and 158 days with some rain. May was the wettest month with a total of 3.84 ins.

SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE

No. of existing properties connected to the sewer - 1,231.

All drains are examined before being covered, and smoke or water tests applied where applicable.

HOUSE REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

In spite of the heavy increase in the bulk of house refuse, the house refuse collection service operates quite satisfactorily, approximately 1,550 tons being disposed of. During the height of the summer season, heavy demands are made on the service, and it is necessary to implement the normal collection with our tractor service.

All refuse is tipped and kept under control at the tip situated near the Gasometer Works.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS DURING 1969 (including dwelling houses)

During the year 86 premises were visited, of which 56 were dwelling houses and 30 various other premises.

In the course of these inspections 14 defects or nuisances were found, and 19 were abated. To secure the abatement of these defects and nuisances 2 informal notices were served upon the owners or agents concerned, in addition to personal interviews by the Public Health Inspector.

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SHOPS ACT, 1950, SECTION 38

There are 91 shops in the district, which are visited periodically. There were no contraventions.

SMOKE ABATEMENT

Number of factory chimneys in the district	2
Number of observations taken	2
Number of legal proceedings taken	Nil

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The number of premises registered and visited during the year were:-

Offices	15
Retail shops	45
Catering establishments	8
Fuel storage depots	1
	69

At these premises the following numbers of persons were employed:-

Offices	64
Retail shops	140
Catering establishments	60
Fuel storage depots	2
	266

(Of this total 125 were males and 141 females).

REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

PREMISES	No. registered during year	No. registered end of year	Premises visited
Offices	-	15	15
Retail shops	-	45	45
Catering establishments	-	8	8
Fuel storage depots	-	1	1
TOTAL	-	69	69

No. of visits to registered premises - 69.

FACTORIES ACT 1937 to 1959

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspector).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of: Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	23	14	Nil	Nil
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	6	14	Nil	Nil
TOTAL	29	28	Nil	Nil

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found:-

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found: Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred: To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	Number of cases in which prosecutions instituted (6)
Want of cleanliness (S.1).	2	2	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences (S.7) (a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (Not including offences relating to out-work)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	3	3	-	-	-

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT 1960. SECTION 1

No. of complaints received 5
No. of complaints investigated 5

	Industrial	Commercial	Domestic
No. of complaints confirmed	2	-	-
No. of complaints remedied informally	2	-	-

RODENT CONTROL - PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

Prevalence of Rats and Mice

Type of Property	Total	Notified by Occupier	Notified by Otherwise	Recorded	Rats Major	Rats Minor	Mice only
Local Authority	3	3	-	2	2	Nil	-
Dwellinghouses	1,029	135	46	66	-	66	-
Business	273	-	-	-	-	-	-
Agricultural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	1,305	138	46	68	2	66	-

Measures of Control by Local Authority

Type of Property	Number Inspected	Number of Inspections	Number of Notices Served: Section 4 — Treatments	Number of Notices Served: Section 4 — Works
Local Authority	3	8	-	-
Dwellinghouses	181	202	-	-
Business	8	12	-	-
Agricultural	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	192	222	-	-

Type of Property	Number of Treatments carried out — By arrangement with owner: Rats	By arrangement with owner: Mice only	Under Section 5(1): Rats	Under Section 5(1): Mice only	Block treatments of properties in different occupancies under Sec.6 (1) or by informal arrangements. No. of surface associated sewers: Blocks	No. of separate occupancies	No. of manholes treated
Local Authority	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dwellinghouses	66	-	-	-	-	-	-
Business	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Agricultural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	72	-	-	-	-	-	-

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No. of complaints confirmed

No. of complaints resolved informally

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2	-	-
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Business	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Agricultural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	72	-	-	-	-	-	-

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Food Inspection

The following foods were inspected, condemned and destroyed, being unfit for human comsumption:-

	lbs.	ozs.
Canned meats	16	0
TOTAL WEIGHT	16 -	0

Food Premises

Number of premises	57
Number of inspections made	29
Number of premises found unsatisfactory	3
Number rendered satisfactory	3

Number of premises registered under Section 16 Food & Drugs Act, 1955.

Ice Cream - Manufacture	Nil
Ice Cream - Storage or sale only	20
Sausages, preserved foods, etc.	4

DAIRIES AND RETAIL PURVEYORS OF MILK

There is one local dairy, which is kept under good conditions.

CATERING ESTABLISHMENTS AND BAKERIES

These have been found to be satisfactory.

HOUSING

Number of houses or parts thereof closed	Nil
Number of houses demolished by formal action	Nil
Number of houses demolished by informal action	Nil
Number of families rehoused from unfit houses	Nil

New Houses

Number of new houses erected by Local Authority	Nil
Number of new houses erected by private enterprise	5

Improvement Grants

Number of improvement grants approved during the year -

Discretionary - 6 Standard - 4

Disinfections etc

Number of premises disinfected	- Nil
Number of premises disinfested	- Nil

Movable Dwellings

Number of sites licensed	2
Number of individual licences	1
Number of inspections	64
Number of movable dwellings (a) for holiday use	176
(b) for residential use	1

July, 1970.

G. OAKES Public Health Inspector.

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CONFECTIONERY STALLS AND BAKERIES

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G. CANNS

Public Health Inspector.

July, 1970.